I am of the opinion that said contract constitutes a contract of disability insurance and may only be written by a duly licensed insurance company authorized to write disability insurance.

It further violates the principle of a corporation engaging in the practice of medicine expressly denounced in the case of *Pacific Employers Ins. Co.* vs. *Carpenter*, 10 Cal. App. (2d) 592.

The documents submitted with your request are herewith returned.

Very truly yours,

 $\ \, \textbf{U. S. Webb}, \, \textbf{Attorney-General}. \\$ 

## Concerning quarantine order in Los Angeles City.

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## STATE QUARANTINE ORDER FOR LOS ANGELES CITY—RABIES

An investigation having been made as required in Chapter 369, Statutes of 1913, of the State of California, and rabies having been found to exist among dogs living within the City of Los Angeles, the California State Board of Public Health, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 369, Statutes of 1913, hereby declares a quarantine against all dogs on those portions of property within the city boundaries of Los Angeles, as shown on map, entitled "Map of the City of Los Angeles, California, prepared by Lloyd Aldrich, City Engineer," obtained from the City Engineer's office, March, 1938.

Quarantine under this Act\* means the strict confinement, upon the private premises of the owners, under restraint by leash or within properly constructed enclosure, of all dogs within the above described area.

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It shall be the duty of all peace officers, all deputies of the City Health Officer, as well as the City Health Officer, to enforce the provisions of this order within the above quarantined area.

The City Health Officer, or other properly constituted officials, may make inspection or examination and enter upon all private premises for the enforcement of this quarantine.

Any owner, or other person, in possession of any animal then being held or maintained in violation of this quarantine, shall be subject to arrest on the charge of committing a misdemeanor.

W. M. DICKIE, Executive Officer, California State Board of Public Health.

Issued by the State Board of Public Health in regular session, March 26, 1938.

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Modification of Order Issued March 26, 1938, Declaring a Quarantine against All Dogs within the Boundaries of the City of Los Angeles

Having received from George Parrish, M.D., Health Officer of the City of Los Angeles, a request for the modification of the order issued March 26, 1938, declaring a quarantine against all dogs within the boundaries of the City of Los Angeles, the California State Board of Public Health having made an investigation in accordance with the provisions of Section 2, Chapter 369, Statutes of 1913, hereby modifies the above mentioned quarantine order as follows:

Quarantine shall be defined as the confinement of all dogs within the designated area upon the private premises of the owners under restraint by leash or within properly constructed enclosure, except that persons over the age of

fifteen years shall be permitted to take their dogs on the public streets and highways when such animals are controlled by suitable leash not over six feet in length, and when so controlled may also take them on the highway in automobiles but not in any bus, or other public conveyance; except, that those dogs quarantined as rabies contacts and confined to their premises or such other place as may be designated by the health officer, or his representative, shall not be permitted to leave the designated premises upon which they are confined.

W. M. DICKIE, Executive Officer, California State Board of Public Health.

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Concerning Clinical Notes paper by Dr. Fred Baker of San Diego, which appears in this issue on page 356.

Point Loma, California, February 17, 1938.

To the Editor:—I do not know how good your memory of us old codgers out in the sticks may be, but I remember you rather intimately when I was a more active youngster.

I have just passed my eighty-fourth birthday and cannot have many years ahead. I have long had in mind writing of my personal experiences with iodid of potassium during my thirty-odd years of active practice, with notes on one case which I have been able to observe for over forty years. I do not know how far I may have been preceded in my conclusions, as I have not kept up my medical reading for a good many years; but I do know that there are a good many physicians who still prescribe set doses of iodid of potassium, which calls for carefully studied dosage in each case.

It so happens that about thirty years ago I nearly killed myself with overdosage with this drug, and have suffered ever since from a moderate hyperthyroidism combined with a most troublesome tremor and more or less heart disturbance. I want to report this case, as well as personal observations carried on through many years, with some suggestions that, so far as I know, have never been published.

A rough draft of the paper covers only four and a quarter pages of typewriting, spaced, so it will not take up a great deal of space. What I wish to know before working it up more carefully is whether you would probably care to publish such a paper, if I send it in? Of course, you cannot adjudge it properly till you see it, but if such a paper seems likely to meet your approval, I will prepare it and send it to you within a short time after receiving your answer. I am enclosing an addressed postal on which you can send only a line, thus saving the time of a very busy man.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

FRED BAKER.

842 Rosecrans Boulevard.

Point Loma, California, February 27, 1938.

Dear Doctor Kress:

Your very kind letter came in this morning and, as I had a rough draft of my paper drawn, I sat down this afternoon and made the enclosed copy, which you can use if it seems worth while. I have not given it a title, but will leave that to you.

I hope you and your readers will pardon the personal element. My case seemed of great importance, especially if the condition has not been emphasized of late. The report may save somebody a lot of trouble if the condition reported is not well known. It has made me a semi-invalid for these thirty or more years, and I came very near dying of heart failure during my two months in bed. Today I am handicapped badly by a very shaky hand, especially as I am devoting most of my time to conchology and use a microscope a great deal. My heart has settled down into a very good heart, which will probably last as long as I do.

For years I have had this paper in mind, feeling that the warning in it should be sounded unless someone else had already done it, but I never got to it. Now it is off my chest and I feel better.

I developed cataract several years ago and had a fine operation, giving me normal vision and a strong eye, which

<sup>\*</sup>California law makes it mandatory upon the State Board of Public Health to declare the quarantine in this form. It is provided, however, that the State Board of Health may modify subsequently, as in its judgment is deemed best.